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Senior Key Winners Honored; Rabbi Silver Addresses School

Last Wednesday a thousand excited spectators thronged Intellectual Arena to witness the annual Golden Grades tournament. This year saw 29 champions crowned as they knocked out their opponents in the fields of language, math, science, and social studies, for seven straight rounds. To these champions, who achieved a 4.5 average scholastically from the first semester of ninth grade through the first semester of their senior year, Dr. Roswell Lowry, president of the Shaker Dad's Club, awarded the gold scholarship keys.

The principal speaker of the day was Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, spiritual leader of The Temple on Ansel Road, who was also honored by delivering a prayer at the inauguration of President Eisenhower. Rabbi Silver spoke on "Scholarship in a Free Society." Included in the program were two musical solos, one by contralto Judith Molnar, and the other by Eugene Broth, violinist. Mr. Rupp supplemented the program with a few appropriate remarks.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Scholarship keys have been awarded to the following brain boxers: **Marcia Allen, Larry Aurbach, Nancy Barnett, Elizabeth Deutsch, Edith Fellinger, Peter Garson, Albert Glickman, Morton Glickman, Richard Guttman, William Harrison, Bruce Havighurst, Harlene Henry, Barbara Higgins, Norman Jacobs, Nancy Klopfer, Susan Lowry, Ruth Perry, Shirley Pimlott, Tom Piwonka, Evelyn Ramsdell, Jerry Rardin, Harold Richman, Richard Schwartz, Ann Sherby, Jim Somberg, Matt Von Baeyer, Barbara Ward, Nica Weston,** and **Judy White.**

Choir Brings B'way to Shaker; Presents Gun-Totin' Musical

"They Say It's Wonderful" and this time they're not talking about love; it's the Broadway musical, "Annie Get Your Gun," to be dramatized by Shaker's A Cappella Choir. The score is taken directly from the Broadway show which starred Ethel Merman and immortalized the brilliant music of Irving Berlin.

"There's No Business Like Show Business" and the entire choir is all excited about their coming production that will be presented Friday and Saturday nights, May 13 and 14

"You Can't Get a Man With a Gun." Gay Cornwell as Annie finds this to be true as she goes after Frank Butler, portrayed by Bob Eastman. Frank's "The Girl That I Marry" does finally turn out to be the gun-toting Annie. The understudies for these leads are Phyllis Kaplan and Richard Lamport.

"Doin' What Comes Naturally" will be the theme song of the rest of the cast headed by Dave Evans and Ellen Passan as Tommy and Winnie, with Tom Jirus and Rosalyn Marks as their understudies. Annie's three sisters are Nancy Jones, Diane Vincent, and Louise Rose, while Linda Kahn has been cast as Jake, their eight-year-old brother. Other choir members and their respective parts include: Sue Burger, Polly; Vic Samuelson, Buffalo Bill; Dick Morris, Sitting Bull; Jack Brown, Pawnee Bill; Anne McClelland, Mrs. Potter - Porter; Charles Sanford, Charlie Davenport, Matt Von Baeyer, Wilson; and Bob Vincent, the railroad conductor.

Tax Stamps Net $238.22

With exams and the end of the semester came also the climax of **The Shakerite's** Tax Stamp Drive. This first drive of the year was an encouraging success.

Homeroom 117 took first place in the drive by bringing in nearly $1000 in tax stamps. Congratulations to Tax Stamp Chairman Jerry Rardin and his homeroom and to Homerooms 210 and 307, which took second and third places.

TD Club Honors Rupp For 18 Years' Service

Throughout the years our principal, Russell H. Rupp, has made many outstanding contributions to the academic world through his conscientious concern for education. But in addition to his busy administrative schedule, Mr. Rupp has devoted much of his outside interest to an avocation which has afforded him many rich experiences — officiating inter-collegiate football.

Until this year, when he retired from refereeing, Mr. Rupp had been actively engaged in officiating for a period of years that captured memories and established friendships never to be forgotten. At this year's annual Touchdown Club dinner, Mr. Rupp became the recipient of a plaque which commemorated his career as a Big Ten official. The award was a tribute for his eighteen years of outstanding service.

Mr. Rupp's football heritage goes back to his early years in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, when he saw the great Jim Thorpe play for the Carlisle Indians. His travels as an official included an informative trip to the Orient, as well as to many interesting points in the United States.

Annual LEL Orchestra Festival Features Pops and Classics

Two hundred fifty high school musicians had a chance to work together and display their talents at the concert given Wednesday evening by the combined orchestras of the Lake Erie League schools.

Shaker's orchestra, under the direction of Robert Liebold, practices for the LEL Festival. Phil Rothenberg

Shaker's orchestra and its director, Robert Leibold, traveled to Parma Senior High School the afternoon of February 16 to share in this experience of working together as one group instead of as representatives of competitive schools.

At 1:30 p. m. the only rehearsal for the evening's concert began and by late afternoon the participants were ready for some recreation and dinner. By 8 o'clock, when the curtain rose on the finished products of a day of co-operation, practice, and fun, the musicians from Shaker, Lakewood, Heights, Shaw, Parma and Euclid were ready to present the program which included *Wedding Day at Troldhaugen* by Edvard Grieg, *Sophisticated Lady* by Duke Ellington, Loesser's *Overture to Hans Christian Andersen*, and Jerome Kern's *Showboat* as well as works by Wagner, Berlioz, Leroy Anderson, and Haydn.

Hobohemia Feature of Hobo Hop As Talented Seniors Entertain

Last Saturday night Shakerites let down their hair and got in the informal mood at the most relaxed affair this year, the Hobo Hop. A girl-ask-boy dance, the Hop was sponsored by the senior class as a money-making project for their annual Senior Prom.

The Senior Revue, featuring the History of Jazz and directed by Mike Smuckler and Nancy Stromberg, was the hit of the evening. The program was narrated by Dave Weisenberger and Kent Wiley. Everyone was wowed by the strutting of Larry Gusman with his rhythmic cane. Johnny Glick, Norm Jacobs, Harry Millis, and Buzzy Richards joined with the Misses Niergarth, Higdon, Lansdale, and Schock to sing *The Blues in the Night*. A quartet consisting of Vic Samuelson, Toby Weiner, Diane Vincent, and Dick Morris sang *A Simple Melody*, which didn't sound so simple.

All dressed in black, ten women of mystery, Barb Cox, Pat Sydow, Mary Jo Chiara, Sherry Bassett, Diane Sanford, Marcy Atkins, Sunny Shuster, Marilyn Wick, Sandy Schneiderman, and Janice Twigg danced and sang to *Birth of the Blues*. The twin rats, Reva Bruder and Al Cohen, and Jane Killpack and Dick Lazzaro, shook the gym with their jitterbugging. The jazz band consisting of Ron Lorenz, Conrad Doty, Brad Hale, Nahtan Horowitz, Bill Hirsch, Mike Ban, and Dick Hoover also provided entertainment.

The most outstanding features of this dance were the clever decorations. A "Hobohemia" in the center of the gym was composed of a fire with several hobos sitting around, while railroad cars and tin cans adorned the walls. These decorations were the work of Cathy Berger and Tom Jirus, with the cooperation of their committee.

Be happy, go Hobo!

Other committee heads included: Ann McClelland and Peter Garson, tickets; Marlene Marshall, publicity; Lynne Schiring and Roberta Occasione, refreshments; and Carol Simon, musical director.

Congratulations to the senior class for sponsoring such an original and completely enjoyable evening!

Parents' Music Committee To Sponsor Card Party

To raise one thousand dollars for ten new band uniforms, the Parents' Music Committee is having a card party. It will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 1955, at 1:00 in the Social Room.

Guests are being asked to bring their own cards, scrabble boards, or mah jongg sets for this afternoon of fun. A bake sale, door prizes, and entertainment by members of the music department are added attractions.

Tickets at one dollar are available from the Parents' Music Committee, chairman Mrs. R. R. Gould, or at the door. The committee consists of those parents who have children in the A Cappella Choir, the Glee Club, the Band, or the Orchestra.

Youth in Government Tops Hi-Y Semester

Shaker's chapter of Hi-Y has begun its second semester activities under new leadership.

The Hi-Y members are preparing for the annual Ohio Hi-Y convention, which will be held in Columbus on the weekend of April 23-24. At this meeting, Hi-Y members will take over the government of Ohio for a day. Honorary state officers and legislators will be elected by convention delegates, and some bills passed by this government will be considered by the Ohio legislature.

Shaker will be represented by a Hi-Y member from each class. Also active in this program will be Mike Gavlak and Tom Baldwin, who will run for state offices.

The officers of Hi-Y for the second semester have been chosen. New officers have been elected for many positions, while some boys have retained the jobs they held during the first semester. Officers of the combined chapter are: Richard Guttman, president; Bob Carleton, vice-president; Dennis Gates, secretary; and Joel Holmes, treasurer.

Senior Hi-Y officers include Matthew Von Baeyer, president; Tom Piwonka, vice-president; Tom Ham, secretary; Morton Glickman, treasurer; and Ernest Collier, chaplain. Heading the junior chapter are: Pete Crumbine, president; Dave Jones, vice-president; Tom Baldwin, secretary; and Jim Greene, treasurer. Sophomore members have chosen as their leaders Art Geigel, president; Doug Havighurst, vice-president; Bob Shapiro, secretary; Martin Oberacker, treasurer; and Dean Waldron, social chairman.

Advisers for the three chapters are: senior chapter, Richard Klyver; junior chapter, Robert Morris; sophomore chapter, John Newman.

Fair Weather Fans?

Have you ever been in Shaker's halls between 5 and 6 o'clock? Probably not very often. There is, however, a group of Shaker's boys who are in the school at that hour every night of the week. They are the members of the varsity and Jay Vee wrestling, swimming, and basketball teams. While most of us are getting our homework out of the way or just relaxing, these boys are working—and working hard—to give us the kind of athletic teams we want.

Our side of Shaker's varsity athletics is the purely enjoyable side, that of supporting the teams by attending their meets and games. Unfortunately Shakerites aren't holding up their side of the bargain. Practically the only spectators of the recent wrestling meets have been the wrestlers' mothers and girl friends. It doesn't seem unreasonable to ask for support for these boys. The fact that a team doesn't win a state championship does not mean that its members aren't working their hardest for us. **Let's not be fair weather fans!**

Tonight our basketball team plays Parma in our own gym. The JayVee game starts at 7:00 and the varsity game begins about 8:30. Seeing your classmates play good basketball beats any movie in town.

Tonight Shaker's wrestlers will compete in the Regional Tournament at John Adams to determine who will wrestle in the State Meet. Both these tournaments are exciting, and you won't want to miss them.

Tomorrow, Saturday night, our basketball team meets Garfield Heights in Garfield's gym. The Regional Wrestling Tournament will continue Saturday night at John Adams. Saturday afternoon at 1:00 at Lakewood High our swimmers will take part in the L. E. L. Meet. This week-end is an especially exciting one in sports. Let's make this week-end's meeting places the gyms at Shaker, Garfield Heights, John Adams, and Lakewood. You'll not only be doing our athletic teams a favor—you'll be doing yourself one!

Shaker Senior Strikes It Rich; Sue Lowry Wins European Trip

"Have you heard the news about Sue Lowry yet?"

"No! What's the latest?"

"She's going to Europe for two months after school is out!"

"No kidding. Why?"

"Well, the lucky girl is one of five winners in a nationwide contest among the Senior Girl Scouts to win an all-expenses-paid trip to Switzerland. For three weeks these girls and fifteen others from all over the world are going to stay at "The Chalet", in the Alps, an international meeting place for Girl Scouts. There, they will study scouting among different groups and the forms of government of the various countries represented.

But this is the best part. They will travel in Switzerland for a while and then in England and France where for a month they will stay in hostels, hotels, and even have the opportunity to live with a family! To top it all off, they will travel by way of that fabulous ocean liner, the *S. S. United States*. There'll be chaperones, so no chance for a ship romance."

"I didn't even know Sue was a Senior Scout."

"Oh yes. She and other Shaker students make up Troop 241 with Mrs. Harvey Bingham and Mrs. Sidney Pearlman as leaders. They are the ones that got Sue to enter the contest early last fall.

"In November she found out she was Cleveland's candidate and just a few weeks ago National Headquarters informed her that she was definitely going as a winner.

"That really makes a swell graduation present, doesn't it?"

Sue Lowry

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The dance last week-end sure was fun
A real good time was had by everyone
The seniors had a clever theme
Quite casual to be sure!
To get their dates the girls did scheme
And plot, and hope 'n' lure!
Hobos, vagabonds and tramps
Were there in all their glory.
Beggars, thieves 'n' even scamps
All added their bit to the story.
The variety show was a memorable one
None quite like it's ever been done.
But the real way to tell that this dance was great
Was seeing each senior girl with a date!

"Wow! I may be a little biased, Nance, but that Senior Dance last week was just the greatest!"

"Agreed, Jude; it was casual and informal, and everyone relaxed and had a wonderful time. I noticed the turn-out was really big—Shaker girls always take advantage of an opportunity when it comes their way!"

"Before the dance, **Gloria Lindsay, Marta Clark, Jeannie Cox,** and **Cathy Williams** had a small dinner party at Gloria's house for their dates, **Kent Wiley, Tom Baldwin, Ronnie Smith,** and **Bob Carleton** respectively."

"Some senior couples seen at the dance were **Earl Seidman** with **Toby Weiner, Marnie McKee** and **Chubby Holmes, Barb Cox** and **Danny Davis, Joan Greenwald** 'escorting' **Pete Garson** and **Jerry Rardin** with **Carol Barber.**"

"A few underclassmen and their dates were **Barb Ganim** and **Mike Blane, Diane Danka** with **Dick Cowan, Mary Lou Pratt** and **Dave Jones,** and **Nancy Cannel** with **Bob Stevens.** Also 'living it up' were **Ruth Catleg** and **Dick Koch,** and **Casey Mullen** and **Mike Partington.**

"Other femmes fatales and their dashing drags hovering over the homemade cookies and punch a la seniors were **Roma Sims** with **Bob Kane, Janet Mitchell** and **Bob Eastman, Barb DuPont** and **Bill Carlson, Christy Klein** with **Bill Brooks, Liz Gould** and **Clyde Case,** and **Phyllis Donnelly** with **Joe Harrison.**"

Belated Valentine birthday wishes to **Cathy Berger** and **Bob Taft,** two Cupid's bow babies born on the fourteenth.

Dream Disc

For you "L.P." collectors we offer a couple of suggestions. George Feyer has recorded a disc of piano music called *Echoes of Broadway* with lots of old timers and a few not so old ones. It's really great. For those in a dreamier mood, Les Baxter's *Thinking of You* album on Capitol is just the thing.

Pat on the Back Department

Congratulations to **Mike Smuckler** and **Nancy Stromberg** for the wonderful job they did writing the variety show.

A tip of the hat to last semester's Social Council for all the good times they helped to plan and promote. They certainly deserve a big thank-you. And to borrow an expression from the French National Assembly, we offer a "vote of confidence" for the second semester Council. We're sure they'll take over in fine style.

Want Ad

Wanted: Spirit-minded Shakerites to attend the pep rallies and cheer our teams on to victory.

Defense Chief Talks On Modern Education

"Education in a Rapidly Changing World," was the topic discussed by Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, President of Ohio Wesleyan University and Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization, at the Junior and Senior High P.T.A. meeting in the Senior High School auditorium on Monday evening, February 14.

The Senior High A Cappella Choir under the direction of Reynold Ellis sang "Let Music Fill the Skies," "Misericordias Domini," and "Tico Tico."

Afterward, a coffee hour was held in the Social Room.

The officiating officers were: Mrs. Edward Parsons, president of the Senior High P.T.A.; Mrs. Carl J. Harbert, president of the Junior High P.T.A.; the Senior and Junior High P.T.A. program chairmen, Mrs. Bernard Larsen, and Mrs. Richard Stewart; and the Senior and Junior High P.T.A. Hospitality chairmen, Mrs. Karl Sebelin and Mrs. George Dillingham.

Is Lincoln

Our Reporter Comes Thru for the Red, White and Blue

Winkin'?

(Editor's Note: This manuscript was blown up through the school's ventilating system, and, with the accuracy of a homing pigeon, appeared in the air vent of the Shakerite office.)

Boy, am I bitter. National legendry, phooey; I'm too young to have my idealistic patriotism shattered, but that's precisely what happened the other day.

I'd been thinking about February's two heroes, Washington and Lincoln, and all the legends connected with them. I was cooking some H_2S in chemistry lab when it suddenly occurred to me that if Lincoln walked six miles to pay back six cents, I could certainly walk down the stairs to pay off my debt at the snack bar. I turned up my Bunsen burner so that the gas would keep warm, pushed in the cork more tightly, and tiptoed out.

When I returned, full of the spirit of commemoration, Mr. Mowrey's steely smile greeted me from behind his gas mask. Through the cloud of H_2S emanating from my flask, I saw him making mental notes to drop my grade to heretofore undreamed-of depths. I thought it advisable to leave and did so, tossing a bit of Washington's Farewell Address over my shoulder: "Goodbye."

All day long, no one seemed to understand my intentions of celebrating February.

"But **Lincoln** wrote **'The Gettysburg Address'** on **his** lunch bag," I protested to Miss Palmer as she threw out six hours of painstaking plagiarism. My apple core too.

But I'm not easily discouraged. The next period I relived the "Emancipation Proclamation." Majestically stroking the fire gong, I shouted in oratorical tones, "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity." (I may have gotten my history a little confused, but the thought's the same.)

When classes had reassembled, I took my place in honor study hall for the period. This was what I had been waiting for all day. I took the hacksaw out of my purse and, for lack of a cherry tree, set to work on the leg of the adviser's table. I could see her thumbing madly through the advisers' manual for instructions. I worked quickly and efficiently, and, as she ran screaming to Miss Sellers' office, I triumphantly tucked the amputated leg under my arm and returned to my seat. I was whittling a point on it when the expected summons from Mr. Rupp's office came. Twirling the leg casually, I preceded my guards into the office. The exciting moment approached. His usually calm voice trembling, he addressed me menacingly, "DID YOU DO THIS?" and he snatched my trophy from me.

In true George Washington fashion, I proclaimed proudly, "I cannot tell a lie. I sawed off the leg with my own little saw." My reception was somewhat less warm than I had expected. Instead of eagerly shaking my hand, he led me from the room down the hall.

"For six and a half years you have daily plagued this high school!" he roared, pushing me down the stairs to the boiler room.

"With malice toward none!" I shrieked, flailing wildly.

"And charity toward all but one," he rhymed with glee, and slammed the boiler room door behind me.

Darn it, I'm going to find my way out of here one of these days.

Poetry Wins Prize For Shaker Student

The following poem was written by Sharon Ode, a Shaker senior. It was a prize-winner in a contest sponsored by the National High School Poetry Association and will be published in *The Anthology of High School Poetry*.

HEAVEN?

One of the angels was bad today,
For look at the raindrops fall.
I'll bet he broke his halo
Chasing some golden ball.

One of the angels was bad today,
For see how gray are the skies.
I wonder if his tummy aches
From eating pink cloud pies.

One of the angels was bad today,
For hear how the cold wing sings.
One of the angels was bad today,
He's been doing some devilish things.

The Sophomore Beat

Patrolled by Pete

Something new has been added to brighten the second semester for the soph class. You guessed it—**Winsome Winston** has returned, decorative as ever. Greetings, **Karen**—too long time no see!

Appetite spoiler of the month: **Mary Goekjian** displaying tape worms. Anybody for lunch?

Welcome, **Bob Dale,** newest addition to the Homeroom 200B family. The name's the same—as one of our local favorites—and our boy has fast become ditto.

Class Globetrotters: **Mark Perry** to Bowling Green. Cozy little town, eh Mark?

Attention Oscar Bergman: Lookin' for likely male models? Search no no more—just dig those sharp Shaker JayVee cagers, dressed to the teeth for every game—before and aft, that is.

Indoor Sport: Spotting members of Our Class in those Culver Summer School films. How many didja recognize?

Feb. 5-6 "Lost Week-End" at the Hollenden for **Henry DuLawrence.** He couldn't tear himself away from the Stamp Show. Find any inverted air mails, Hank?

Don "Orange King" Baum—voted hands down the citrus industry's best customer. The oranges in the super market all but start bouncing into a buggy as he approaches. There's a sad day ahead for sales, though—come the end of grappling season!

Upperclassmen thought the Hillbilly Jamboree had moved on our school the day the soph history classes saw that movie in the small auditorium. Sounded like the Circle Theater, no foolin'! Nothin' like being interested in our work, is there?

Music-loving Clevelanders are very much aware of Shaker High these days, thanks to our gratifying results in the Suburban Music contest at Heights. A salute goes to sophs **Dick Inglis, Karen Macey, Dick Hoover, Bill Atkinson,** and **Randy Kennedy** who, altogether, copped a solid half dozen firsts and seconds. You guys and gals sure do make beautiful music—Congrats from an admiring class.

Memo to Zip: Howdja like a squid on the squad? Contact Walt Disney.

Another happy thought: Bless you, George Washington—for being born.

Y-Teens Learn Mambo, Discuss Red Cross Drive

The Y-Teeners really went "Down South America Way" at their combined meeting last February 7, for the girls were given mambo lessons by an Arthur Murray teacher.

The teacher, Miss Vicki York, started the girls on the basic step, and soon had them swinging to that crazy mambo beat. The dancing was held in the girls' gym and refreshments were served afterward in the Social Room. This meeting was sponsored by the junior chapter.

The combined chapters will handle the all-school Red Cross drive March 7 to March 9. They will be helped in this job by the Student Council.

Instrumental Winners

Congratulations to the following Shakerites for their award-winning performance at the Greater Cleveland Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest, held on Saturday, February 5, at the Cleveland Heights High School. Those receiving the rating of I (Superior) are:

Richard Inglis, Clarinet and Alto Sax Solo; **Randolph Kennedy, Nathan Horwitz** and **Kenneth Huszar,** Trumpet Solo; **William Atkinson,** Snare Drum Solo; **Laural Joseph** and **Eugene Broth,** Violin Solo; **Kenneth Huszar, Randolph Kennedy, Karen Macey, Ronald Lorentz, Bradford Hale** and **Michael Ban,** Brass Sextet; **Laural Joseph** and **Eugene Broth,** String Duet.

The II ratings (Excellent) were won by: **Karen Macey,** French Horn Solo; **Richard Hoover** and **Richard Inglis,** Snare Drum Solo; **Laural Joseph, Mary Bingham, Mary Goekjian** and **Dorothy Dede,** Flute Quartet; **Ronald Lorentz, Conrad Doty, Clifford Vogt,** and **Bradford Hale,** Trombone Quartet.

Rating III (Very Good) was received by: **Gary Dworkin,** Clarinet Solo; **David Luke, Laural Joseph,** and **Mary Bingham,** Flute Trio.

Chessters Cop City Crown With Undefeated Season; Down West Tech in Finals

Although Shaker's winter sport season is far from over, we can already boast of having a championship team.

After battling to a 6-6 tie in the first match, the crack Shaker chess team went on to take the rematch over West Tech, west side champions, by the overwhelming score of 10-2.

Winning chess teams are nothing new here at Shaker. Since the team was organized, it has only dropped one match, back in 1953.

The handsome city championship trophy now stands in the showcase opposite the office.

The members of this team are to be congratulated for a fine job this season. Below are the names of the team members and their records for this year's matches. Along with the list of the members is a record of their wins. Individual points vary because some games are worth two points, and some are worth one.

Scoring Totals

Player	W.	L.	D.	Pt.
Gary Michael (Capt.)	2	3	0	4
Bruce Havighurst	2	2	1	5
Jim Somberg	4	0	0	8
George Gingold	5	0	0	10
Dan Edwards	4	1	0	5
Ralph Hodous	2	0	1	2½
George Petznick	2	2	0	2
George McLain	4	0	0	4
Doug Havighurst	1	0	0	1

Team Totals

Shaker	9½	East High	2½
Shaker	8	Cleveland Hts.	4
Shaker	8	Cath. Latin	0
Shaker	6	West Tech	6
Shaker	10	West Tech	2

Gourmet Faculty to Enjoy Super Spaghetti Supper

The Staff Spaghetti Supper, planned by the Relations Committee headed by Miss Bannaian and Miss Hollister, will be held on Monday, February 28, at 5:30 p. m. in the Social Room and girls' gymnasium. The husbands and wives of the faculty have been invited to attend this affair. After the supper there will be informal entertainment, including singing and card-playing; in addition, Mr. Howard Moritz, a former physical education teacher at Shaker, will show movies of his most recent travels in the West Indies, the Caribbean, and sections of the western United States.

City Chess Champs!

Shaker's chess champs: l. to r., Ralph Hodous, Dan Edwards, Gary Michael, Bruce Havighurst, Jim Somberg, George Petznick, and George Gingold.

Hieroglyphics in Ely Gallery Show Story of Writing

Have you seen students coming from the Ely Art Gallery lately with rather puzzled looks on their faces? If so, just take a walk through the gallery, and you will find the reason for these "looks," because here can be found some of the most fascinating and perplexing hieroglyphics one could ever hope to see!

At Mr. Jeffery's request the Cleveland Museum of Art assembled this fine exhibit, "Writing Through the Ages," for our school to view during February. It contains specimens of early Egyptian papyrus and Babylonian clay tablets. Arabic writing is found on the pages of the *Koran,* and the brush used for the Chinese writing was made of tiny black feathers plucked from around the bill of a bluejay. The Chinese books are examples of early block printing. The Greek alphabet from which our alphabet was derived and the Roman alphabet carved in stone are displayed, as well as pages from medieval books. There is a choir book which is so old that it has four lines in the music staff instead of five. The exact reproduction in the exhibit of the Gutenberg Bible was printed on the original movable type Gutenberg press, although medieval letters were used.

Today we have no way of hearing early spoken words, but this interesting exhibit offers us a fine opportunity to see written words down through the ages.

A. A. Milne Play Debuts At March Drama Assembly

"The Man in the Bowler Hat," a comedy farce by A. A. Milne, will be presented during the assembly on March 2.

The play is set in an English cottage, and the cast includes Mike Smuckler as John, Nancy Stromberg as Mary, Mike Greenberg as Chief Villain, Bill Blanca as Bad Man, Sally November as Heroine, Jack Brokenshire as Hero, and Martin Carter as Man in the Bowler Hat.

The production will be supervised by Miss Klein, assisted by Carol Green as student director. Lennie Fishman will be the general understudy. If anyone knows of any available revolvers, preferably of antique vintage, or of a raccoon coat, please contact Miss Klein.

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Grapplers Are Rated Underdogs in Regionals Tonight

Face Bedford, Adams, Euclid At State Meet Qualifiers

Shaker's defending state champion wrestling squad begins its defense of the state title in the Regional Tournament which starts tonight at John Adams High School. As a part of a new set-up to determine qualifiers for the state meet, a system of state-wide regional tournaments has been adopted this year.

Tonight, February 18, and tomorrow night, the Shaker mat crew will be competing with approximately eight other wrestling squads from the east-side area. With four returning individual state champs competing, the east-side regionals are considered the toughest in the state.

Three rugged squads, Bedford, Benedictine, and Euclid, will furnish most of the competition for the Red Raider matmen. Each of these teams has at least one boy who placed first or second in the state meet last year.

Pacing the Shaker squad in the tourney will be three boys upon whom will depend Shaker's hopes for victory. In the unlimited class, Dick Morris looks like a good bet. With an undefeated record blemished only by one tie, Morris will be a top contender and probable qualifier for the state competition, which starts on February 25 at Lakewood High. Wrestling at 112 and 138, Captain Jerry Weiss and George Brown will also be strong contenders.

In the newly created regional tournaments, the four top grapplers in each weight classification will qualify for the state competition. Four regions taking in the whole state have been set up, with two of them in the Greater Cleveland area. East and west-side teams compete in separate tournaments.

In compiling a 6-4 season record the Shaker squad made a fairly good showing although handicapped by the lack of experience. Looking over the season, Coach Zednik is satisfied with the job that his boys did, but he still thinks that on a few occasions the squad did not live up to expectations. In the final two meets of the year, the Shaker matmen lost to a powerful Euclid team, but ended the season on a good note by beating Cuyahoga Falls in their final dual meet.

Raiders Whip Wil'by; Bow in LEL Contests

On Friday, February 4, a tall, fast, and experienced quintet from Lakewood handed Shaker's cagers a 68-56 setback, their sixth in the league against one victory.

Leading the scoring attack for the losing Raiders, on whose court the game was played, were Corky Maniaci and Dennis Goodman with ten points apiece. Dave Tenwick paced the victors with nineteen.

Twelve Shakerites saw active duty against Lakewood. Ralph Evans brought Shaker fans to their feet as he scored eight points in less than one period. This rally, however, came too late to overtake the Rangers.

The west-siders held period margins of 16-7, 32-25, and 55-38, and were never headed from early in the first stanza.

Lakewood's height advantage proved disastrous in the sophomore duel, which Shaker lost, 50-45, after leading, 36-34, at the three-quarter mark.

In other recent games, Shaker suffered a 59-52 defeat at the hands of Western Reserve Academy, won over Willoughby, 53-50, and lost to Euclid, 69-49.

Tonight, an underdog Shaker squad is pitted against Parma High's Redmen on the Shaker court.

Zip and his boys, working out for the Regionals (l. to r.) Baldwin, Comella, Donohue, Conner, Morris, Weiss, Herringshaw, Brown, Kursh.

Kharacters Take Title; Fratmen Top Pascudnyacs In Final Tourney Tilt

Culminated by the long-awaited tussle between Hoff's Fratmen and Richards' Pascudnyacs, the intramural basketball season was brought to a successful close. This senior class rivalry saw the Fratmen, led by Captain Jim Hoff and Vic Samuelson, subdue the bathrobe-clad Pascudnyacs' drive in the last minutes of play, which almost closed the gap, but the Pascudnyacs kept their 0-8 record intact.

Walt Freedman, Herb Goulder, and Leigh Kwait led Kwait's Kharacters to an undefeated season and the championship. Montlack's Monkeys and Huettner's Hotshots tied for second place, each team losing two games.

The intramural campaign was organized and run under the direction of Coach Bob Rice this year. The expanded program now includes games with other schools, and plans are being made to enlarge and improve the present system for next year.

Tankers Shine at Fremont, Bowling Green; Set for LEL

Fresh from a fine showing in the Bowling Green Relays, Shaker's resurgent tankers entered the L. E. L. preliminaries this afternoon as meet favorites. With Lakewood providing stiff competition, however, the Raiders will have no easy time of it as they attempt to gain the league title for the second consecutive year in tomorrow afternoon's finals.

Much of the Raiders' confidence stems from the successful weekend road trip that took them to Fremont and Bowling Green. They were on the rebound after two weeks of tough competition, during which they barely beat Lakewood and W. R. A. and lost to U. S., but they won a decisive victory over Fremont Ross, state champs two seasons ago and still a power in Ohio.

On the following day they achieved a second-place tie in the B. G. Relays, only one point behind East Grand Rapids, the Michigan school that won for the third straight year. Monroe, another Michigan entry, shared second place with Shaker Sandusky finished fourth, four points behind the Raiders, while Canton McKinley and Fremont Ross captured fifth and sixth positions respectively. This avenged earlier losses to Sandusky in a dual meet and Canton McKinley in the Kent State Relays.

Other recent highlights that captured the swimming spotlight were two record-breaking performances. Although outclassed by powerful U. S., the Red and White reacted with championship form and established a new mark in the 160-yard freestyle relay. The team of Speed Olderman, Dave Broderick, Chuck Armington, and Dick Wilson clipped the former mark of 1:17 with the time of 1:16.8. In the same meet Doug Kirtz, U. S. backstroker, eclipsed the former pool record of 1:04.9 by completing the 100-yard backstroke in 1:04.

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